



STATE OF WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Docket UT-083036, et al.

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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
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Ms. Karen Majcher
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Re: CC Docket 96-45, USF Certification Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.316

Dear Ms. Dortch and Ms. Majcher:

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.316(b) the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission certifies it has reviewed the comparability of residential rates in rural areas of the state served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (ILECs) to urban rates nationwide, and certifies to the commission and the administrator the rates are reasonably comparable for purposes of section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Jing Liu at jliu@utc.wa.gov or (360) 664-1292.

Sincerely,

David W. Danner
Executive Director

